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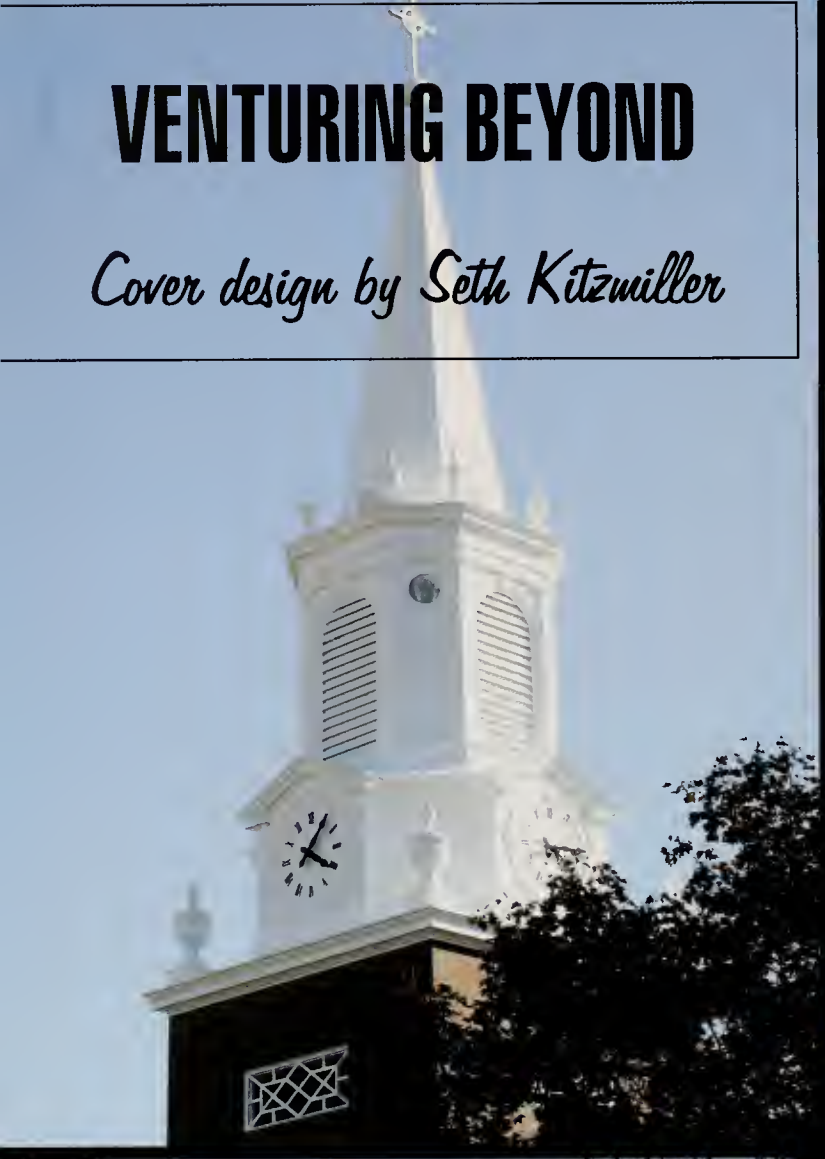

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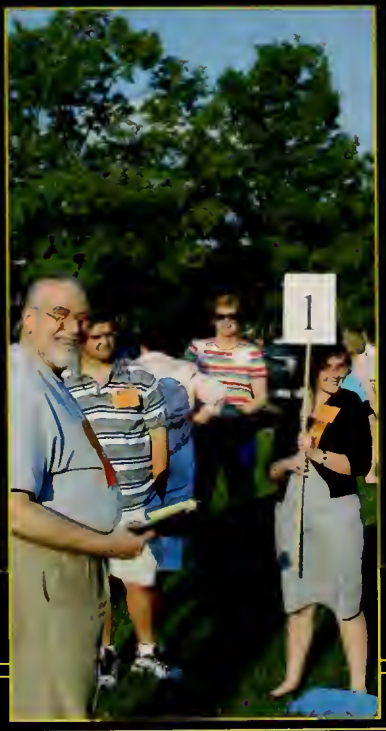

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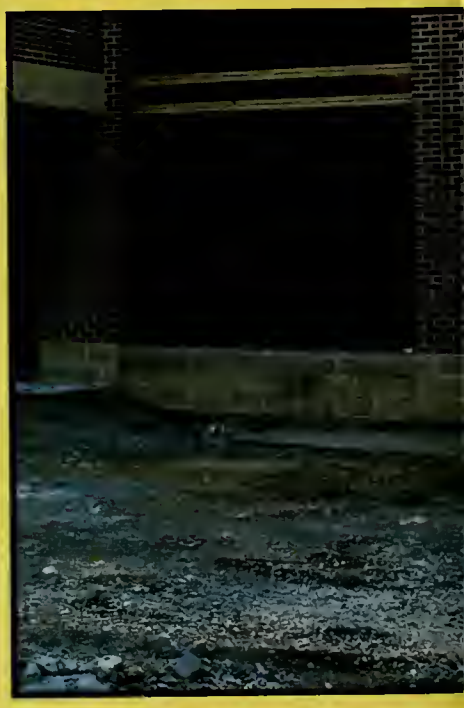
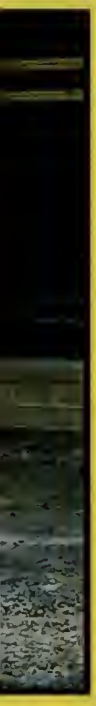


The Virginia Thomas Law Center for the Performing Arts during its construction in fall 2008.



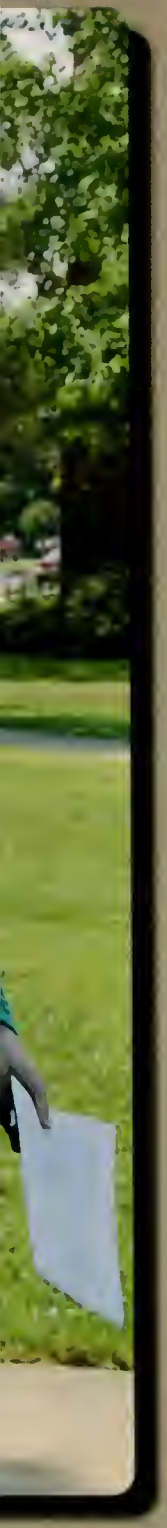
This was a year of unprecedented progress in the history of West Virginia Wesleyan College. Not since the mid-1950s has there been such a rapid growth in the construction of buildings, in the addition of programs, and in the enthusiasm of the student body. With the completion of the new Virginia Thomas Law Center for the Performing Arts, the renovation of Fleming Hall into a suite-style dormitory, the refurbishment of the Wesley Chapel steeple, and the continued work towards the completion of the new David E. Reemsnyder Research Center, the campus saw many exciting new physical changes all in the span of one very short school year.

Wesleyan also expanded its horizons with the student-led "Go Green!" which encouraged the community to realize the impact that it had on the environment. Within the student government, the Community Council changed its identity to Student Senate. Venturing internationally, as well, Wesleyan welcomed its new Korean partner school Pai Chai University.

As Wesleyan prepared for the reaccreditation process, its community was reminded of and comforted by its roots, assured and strengthened by its current identity, and with these elements to guide, Wesleyan was prepared to venture beyond.

CAMPUS LIFE

Kazuki Horiguchi, Kazuhiro Yamada, and A Reum Kim catch up at the Poster Fair, one of the many events Wesleyan hosts at the beginning of the fall semester.



Campus Life at Wesleyan is very diverse and with a magnitude of opportunites and chances for all students to find activities that will interest them. Campus life gives students a chance to create activities and have fun at the same time, outside the classroom. Campus life also gives students a chance to meet new people and make new friends. The wide range of activities provided by Wesleyan's campus life include Big Bingo, Casino Night, Wesleyan Idol, Spring Sing, The Price Is Right, Homecoming, theater presentations and much more.

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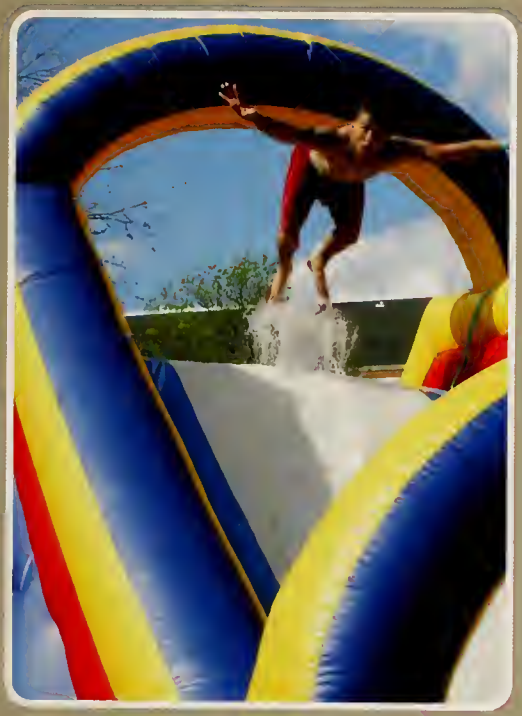
"Regardless of your personality or hobbies, there is always something to do. Of course, it's better if you're winning big screen TV's while you're doing it."

Liz Short, Senior

WESLEYAN MEMORIES



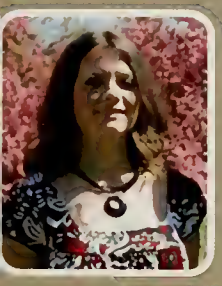
IN MEMORIUM

The Wesleyan community was deeply saddened with the loss of freshman Daniel Duncan early in the fall semester. He was hit by a drunk driver while Daniel was riding his bicycle in the early evening hours. In a very brief time, Daniel had made an immediate and positive impact on campus life. He was a political science major, member of the Jazz Ensemble, Cycling Club, and Concert Choir. A funeral service was held for Daniel in his hometown of Norwalk, Ohio, but his Wesleyan friends wanted to do something on campus to show their love and respect for him. A memorial service was held in Wesley Chapel where Wesleyan students, faculty, and staff came together to celebrate and remember Daniel's life.

OFF CAMPUS EXPERIENCES

In fall semester 2008, Meaghan Cochrane explored the British criminal justice system through her role as an intern for the Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea in London, England. The junior honors student from St. Mary's earned a full semester of academic credit as a student intern studying the field of law in London.

"This internship opportunity enabled me to better understand and consequently, better examine the British legal system and the imperative role it plays in the lives of its children and young people," Cochrane said.

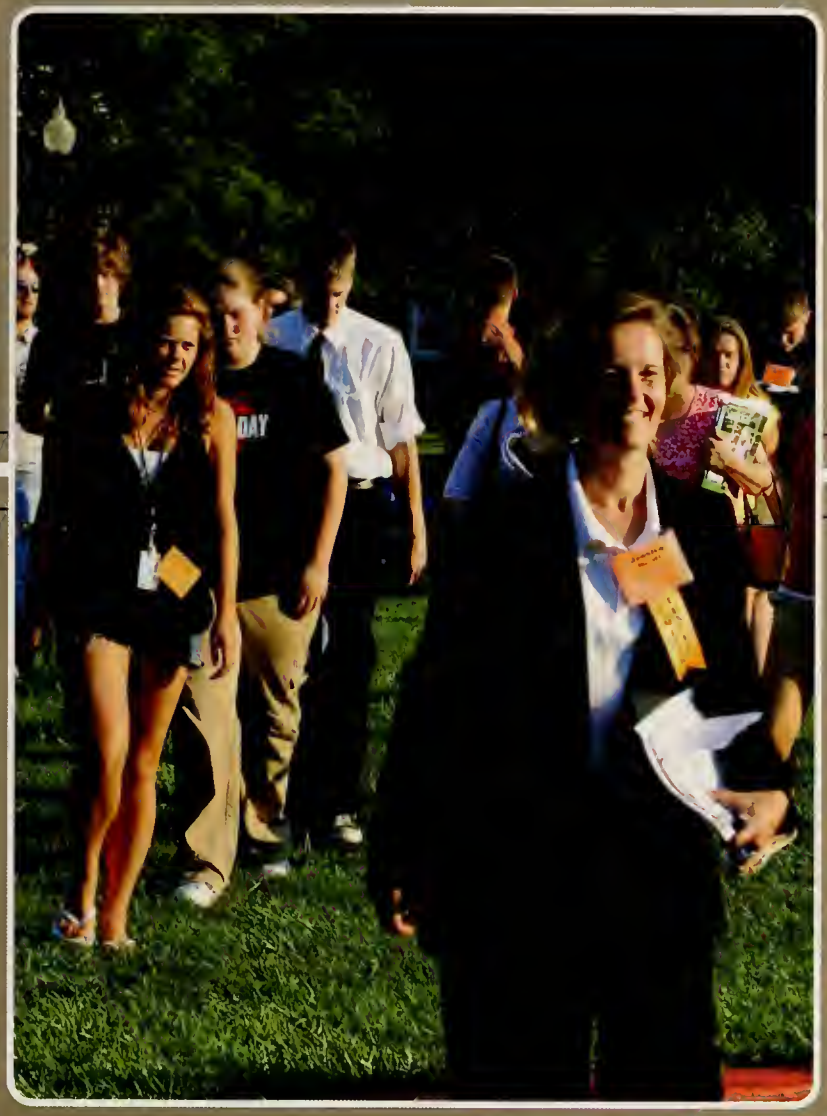


By: Catherine Loftis

Studying abroad is something many people never get the opportunity to experience. For me, it happened by chance—one e-mail, a meeting, and a few applications later, I sealed my destiny to study at Queen's University in Belfast, Northern Ireland. Something I would never have been able to do before this trip is to distinguish accents—I can now identify German, Polish, Belgian and French accents, and can point out someone from Belfast versus Dublin. I have traveled throughout Northern Ireland, London, Brussels, Rome, and Berlin, seeing things that I otherwise would only have seen in pictures Now I realize it doesn't matter if you don't know the way—half the fun of life is following your own path, and now I have the confidence to do that, no matter where my decisions take me.

NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION

Wesleyan's fall semester welcomed freshmen and transfer students with a variety of activities and events to help acclimate students to college life. Dinner at President Balch's house, Freshmen Seminars, campus games, the Bobcat Organizational Fair, white water rafting and rock climbing trips all presented great opportunities for new students to socialize and become a part of the Wesleyan experience.



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HOMECOMING

One of the highlights of the West Virginia Wesleyan College Homecoming Weekend was the coronation of a new King and Queen. The coronation was held during the halftime of the Wesleyan-UNC-Pembroke football game at Cebe Ross Field. The 2008 Homecoming King and Queen, as voted on by their fellow students, were seniors Scott Getz and Lesley Wooten. Getz is a music education major from Revloc, PA, while Wooten is an accounting and 5-year MBA major from Logan, WV.

A huge Homecoming Bonfire was also held for students in which the Wesleyan dance team Felinez performed its rendition of Rihanna's "Disturbia".

DANCE

MASQUERADE/ MARDI GRAS

Students assembled in the Green Room of the BiCentennial Inn in Buckhannon for Wesleyan's Masquerade/ Mardi Gras themed dance. The event included a huge assortment of beads for the dancers and a Mardi Gras themed cake with plenty of refreshments. The event was the second dance since the 2008 Retro Dance. Both dances were sponsored by CAB, RHA, and several fraternities and sororities.

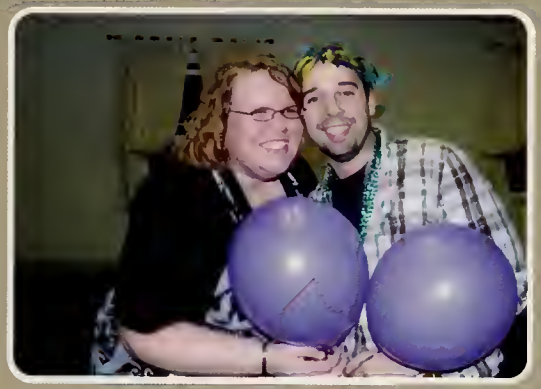
ENGAGING OUR WORLD

Over 250 students from 70 colleges and universities descended upon the WVWC campus in October 2008 for the fourth annual Engaging Our World Conference. The Southern Regional conference is supported by Oxfam America and included many groups and organizations that actively raise awareness for civil rights issues, poverty, and world peace. Raj Patel, a visiting scholar in the Center for African Studies at the University of California at Berkeley delivered the keynote address for the conference. "The goal of the conference is to actively engage students in issues such as poverty, globalization, and the environment," said Dr. Kim Yousey, dean of community engagement at Wesleyan.

WESLEYAN MEMORIES

WESLEYAN ENTERTAINMENT

West Virginia Wesleyan College provided a wide variety of entertainment for its campus and local communities. Such events, choral, classical and jazz ensembles, rock and ethnic bands, offered musical enjoyment. Activities, such as Pie Face, Dance with Santa, Casino Night, Big Bingo, and Holiday Hunts, served as distraction from the everyday academic grind. The Campus Activities Board hosted movie weekends where recent blockbuster and art house films were shown in Wesleyan's Hyma Auditorium. Recently, as of two years ago, CAB sponsored and hosted along with some fraternities and sororities an annual dance to be held for students.



WESLEYAN IDOL

Ten West Virginia Wesleyan College students competed Saturday September 20, 2008 to become the next Wesleyan Idol. The sixth annual competition was held in Wesley Chapel where an audience of Wesleyan students selected the winner. The competitors included Morganne Bennett of Winfield, WV, CJ Bray of Buckhannon, Stephen Boone of Morgantown, WV, Hanah Coe of Mineral Wells, WV, Zack Kapp of Bridgeport, WV, Austin Kritzer of Fairmont, WV, Lance Russell of Belle Vernon, PA, Stephanie Stacy of Nitro, WV, Lucy Swecker of Mill Creek, WV, and Amanda White of Buckhannon, WV. Stephanie Stacy was announced the winner at the end of the night.

SPRING SING

Spring Sing was held at Wesleyan where Greeks and independents gathered together to perform skits and musical numbers that included costumes, themes, and choreography. The 2009 Spring Sing King and Queen were Donovan Godwin and Karly Kramer. ISO won both for Independent group and Overall. Alpha Delta Pi won for sororities and Theta Xi for fraternities.

THEATER

Wesleyan's theater program supplied a variety of opportunities for the bourgeoning actor, director, dancer, and many other theatrical vocations. Wesleyan's theater department produced 3-5 mainstage plays, 3-5 studio shows, 2-3 dance concerts, a movie every other year, and a period show every other year.

This past year, theater students performed for the first time in the new Virginia Thomas Law Center for the Performing Arts with the major stage musical *Gypsy*. These aspiring actors also performed *To Kill a Mockingbird* downtown Buckhannon in front of two houses. Both productions were major successes for the theater department, a sign of great things to come!

FACULTY & STAFF

Library Coordinator Brett Miller displays some of the old *Pharos* newspaper archives at the yearbook and library table at the 2008 Wesleyan Birthday celebrations.

The faculty and staff here at Wesleyan go above and beyond their duties as teachers every single day of the year. From one-on-one meetings with students, study sessions, contact from their home, and serving pancakes at exam time, they take their responsibilities as helping hands to the Wesleyan students very seriously. Never do students' questions go unanswered. Professors' jobs do not end when they leave the classroom. They continue to help their students around the clock. Whenever or wherever a student may have a problem, the faculty and staff at Wesleyan are always willing to extend a helping hand which inadvertantly causes them to be very busy!

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"Faculty life? Isn't that an oxymoron?"

Richard Schmitt
Assoc. Professor
English Department

Pamela Balch

President

West Virginia Wesleyan College

A Note from the President

President Balch reflects on the 2008-2009 academic year and discusses Wesleyan's future.

"West Virginia Wesleyan has enjoyed a rich history of academic excellence. The College has always been among the state's leaders in graduation rates, retention rates, and the entering academic profile of its students. While we celebrate that tradition, we also know the College can never stand still if it is to maintain and improve its position in West Virginia.

The Virginia Thomas Law Center for the Performing Arts has been a dream for many since 1983. Atkinson Auditorium, which was built in the early 1900's, was never intended to be the site of the College's theatre department. In fact, it was build for chapel services and other campus convocations. The opening of the new Performing Arts Center will allow the College to become a regional leader in arts programming. It will help Wesleyan attract more students who have an interest in performing on stage and outstanding touring groups, as well as bridge new and exciting relationships with members of our community and region.

The David L. Reemsnyder Research Center will provide our renowned science department with facilities that will encourage and foster exciting new student/faculty research opportunities. Through the creative work of our faculty, we have offered a number of science research projects during the past several years. The new Center allows us to match the creativity of our faculty and students with a state-of-the art facility. It will raise the bar for future students and will ensure that our science program remains one of the very best in the region.

One of the College's greatest new student recruitment challenges during the past 20 years has been the condition of our residence halls. The renovation of Fleming Hall is the first phase of a plan to reinvigorate our housing program. When it reopens next August, Fleming will feature suite style living arrangements, private baths, lounge space, and a central air conditioning and heating system.

Dr. Pamela Balch (left) is named the Buckhannon-Upshur Chamber of Commerce's Business Woman of the Year in 2008.

The development of the Center for Community Engagement and new graduate programs are two major new initiatives that have come as a result of our strategic planning efforts. Wesleyan has a strong tradition of community service involvement by its students. We want to expand our program with a goal of ensuring that all Wesleyan students participate in community engagement efforts before they graduate from the College.

This is an exciting time for West Virginia Wesleyan. While the country is facing economic uncertainty, we are working and planning to ensure that Wesleyan remains a leader in higher education. This will result in more construction projects, new undergraduate and graduate programs, and exciting new initiatives in student life. Our goal remains the same for Wesleyan—to move from 'good to great'."

Administration

Barry Pritts
Vice President for Finance

Larry Parsons
Interim Academic Dean of the College

Julia Keehner
Vice President for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management

Duwane Squires
Vice President for Information Technology and Chief Information Officer

Tanya Shelton
Vice President for Institutional Advancement

Robert Skinner
Director of Marketing and Communication

Julia Keehner greets students at the 2008 Freshman Orientation.

Sophomore Robbie Skinner and President Baleh enjoy a beautiful day on campus at the 2008 WWWC birthday celebration outside Benedum Campus Center.

Larry Parsons walks with a colleague in the Administration parking lot at the end of freshmen orientation weekend.

Robert Skinner pays a visit to one of the many community business tables at the freshmen orientation Bobcat Fair.

"One faculty member who is repeatedly praised by both students and graduates is Dr. Bill Mahoney, professor of history. "My goal is to benefit students and make history accessible, interesting, and understandable," noted Mahoney. Mahoney ends each class with his Wesleyan-famous salutation, "I'll leave you with this..." determined to instill the greatest amount of knowledge, to the greatest amount of students, in the best way possible."

Edwin Andrew
Computer Operations Manager
Jonathan Andrew
Systems Analyst

Michael Berry
Mathematics
Christopher Blackburn
Associate Director of Admissions
Kwame Boateng
Political Science

Michael Bobic
Political Science
Carol Bowman
Library Acquisitions/ Media Services
Greg Bradley-Popovich
Exercise Science

In Memory of Becky Gurdak

Becky passed away on July 31, 2008. She was a Lindamood Bell Reading Clinician in the Learning Center. Comprehensive Advisor Suzanne Haas remembers: "Becky and I were the "early birds" at the Learning Center. Many mornings we would meet by the water fountain. She'd have her huge cup of ice from home and would be filling it up with water for the day. We'd spend sometime together sharing what was happening in each of our worlds." The Wesleyan community held a memorial service on August 28, 2008 to remember Becky.

Robert A. Burch
Helpdesk Supervisor
Debbie Bush
Education

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Duane Carpenter
Director of Sports Information
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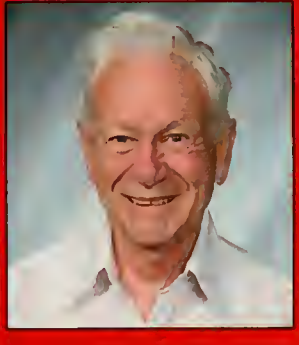


Carl Colson
Biology
David Conley
Assistant Director of Admission
Herbert Coston
History

Political science professor Dr. Robert Rupp enjoys the Constitution Day activities at WWWC.

Paula McGrew waits with her freshman seminar group during Orientation Weekend.

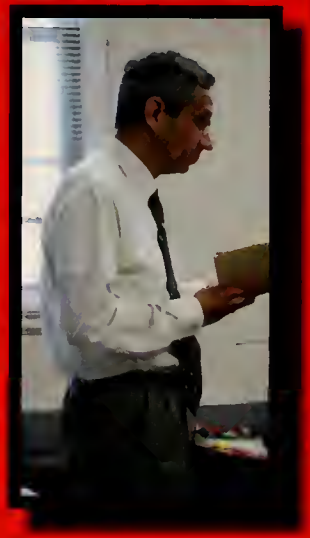
English professor Dr. Mallory reads aloud in his Intro to Humanities class.

Art professor Aaron Nelson stands before one of his prints at the Mythos gallery presentation.

Dr. McNamara and Ashley Lawson, English instructors, seem intently curious before the Honor's Banquet in April.

Dr. Weeks looks for some ice cream during the 2008 Honors Holocaust DC. trip.

Dr. Katherine Gregg instructs her students in a lab class.



Allysa Lively gets a flower in her hair during her trip in New Orleans.

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Stephen Cresswell
History
Glenndale Defoe
English

David Esaias
Web Programmer
Russell Francis
Business
Janet Foster
Admission Office Data
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Diane Godwin
Health Center Nurse
Jeffrey Godwin
Business
Katharine Gregg
Biology

Linda Hicks
Administrative Assistant
to the President
Arthur Holmes
Religion

Luke Huggins
Biology

Denton King
Comprehensive Advisor
Learning Center

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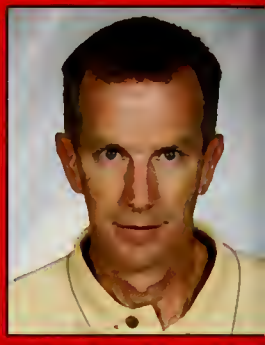
Admission

Debbie Leigh
Assistant to Chapel Dean

Bill Lilly
Men's Basketball Head
Coach



Rochelle Long
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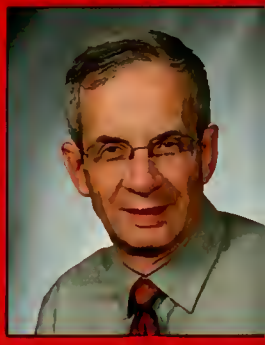
Gregory Mach
Theater

William Mallory
English



Carol Pelletier talks about the new faculty exhibition Mythos before introducing new art instructor Aaron Nelson

English Professor Dr. William Mallory leads his freshman seminar class across the Wesleyan Chapel lawn in the Fall of 2008

Carolyn Mallory
Coord. of LBP Reading Learning Center

Dan Martin
Exercise Science/ Athletic Training

Paula McGrew
Library Director

Leon McKisic
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Brett Miller
Library Circulation Supervisor

Brenda Oldaker
Admissions Administrative Assistant

Robert Osburn
Audio Visual Director

James Owry
Director of Planned and Major Gifts

Molly Patterson
Executive Assistant

The Maddin food personnel at Wesleyan work in all three main areas of the campus center - Sunnybucks - Cat's Claw and the cafeteria

Education Clinical Students create resumes with the help of education instructor Shari Phillips

New and Old

A comparison of the new and old theaters by theater professor Dr. Greg Mach through an e-mail with staffer Allysa Murphy

The new theatre in the Virginia Thomas Law Center for the Performing Arts has a construction shop attached to the stage area, restrooms, lots of wing space and backstage space, a reception hall, rehearsal room, costume maintenance area, makeup/dressing rooms, a fully rigged fly loft for flying scenery in and out of the stage area, and a large lobby with box office. The center is air conditioned and has stadium seating in the back for greater visibility. The auditorium contains an orchestra pit for even sound distribution and plenty of new equipment, including a digital projector so theater can do more effects on stage. The entire facility is ADA compliant for disabled students and audience members, and the seats are very comfortable.

In contrast, Atkinson Theatre was originally designed as a chapel and converted to a theatre, presenting the theatre department with many problems. First, there is no wing space off-stage on either side, so the audience could plainly see actors and dancers standing there waiting to make an entrance.

There is no storage space since there is also no backstage space, so all the costumes and props required for a show had to be put in the hallway behind the stage, cluttering up the area outside the president's, and various other administrators', offices. The facility has no restrooms accessible to the audience, so audience members had to walk to the next building over, the Martin Religious Center.

Virginia Thomas Law Center for Performing Arts

Atkinson Auditorium

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Bert Popson
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Shauna Popson
Nursing

Nancy Porter
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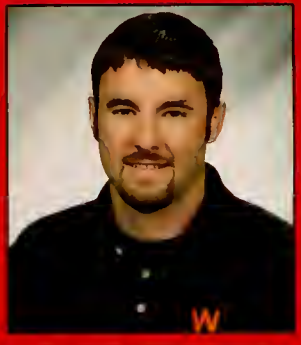
Program Coordinator

Alexander Pushchin
Physics and Engineering



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Engineer

Sue Roth
Computer Applications

Robert Rupp
Political Science/History

Jeanne Sullivan
Biology

Dawn Tyler
Education

Christie Viller
Coordinator of Gift Records, Technology & Research

Richard Weeks
History

Pam Wovchko
Mathematics

Rose Whitehair
Admission Office Administrative Assistant

Kevin Zimmerman
Admission Counselor

"Our goal is to build from a strong core curriculum, offering robust topical electives that will further develop and diversify our program. This has been a strong program at Wesleyan for many years. I want Wesleyan to build on that tradition and increase the program's outreach throughout the state and the region."

Christina Hill
Director of MBA program

Faculty and Staff *go beyond* their every day duties!

SENIORS

Eziwoma Alibo, a senior from Nigeria, paints a fence to help the communities in Louisiana during Alternative Spring Break.

Making it through four years of learning at Wesleyan is a time to be treasured and remembered. The years may go by fast; however, the memories never end. Seniors have been faced with frustrations and hardships, as well as many fun times. They have made it through the countless hours of homework and studying that have helped them get to where they stand now-- inches away from entering another stage in their lives. They now have to prepare themselves for the world beyond college, whether it is more schooling or heading right into the work force. Graduation means a time for seniors to go above and beyond, and hopefully make it to the stars.

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"I am so grateful for the opportunities and relationships that I have found here at Wesleyan. I have been able to take part in so many amazing organizations and meet so many truly inspirational people in my short time here. I am saddened to think that these times are coming to a close soon, but I know that my time here has prepared me for my next step into the future."

Jamie Smith, Senior

Keiko Adachi
Kanagawa, Japan
Communication Studies

Eziwoma Alibo
Lagos, Nigeria
Biology

Lauren Bone
South Charleston, WV
Psychology

Kerry Bristow
St. Andrews, Granada
Sociology

Rebecca Bumgardener
Harrisville, WV
Chemistry

Kayla Burdette
Cottageville, WV
Accounting

Casey Cameron
Hilton Head Isle, SC
Biology

Michael Carothers
Bridgeport, WV
Sociology

Venturing
to discover new possibilities

Powelson Gains Career Insights Through Research

Julie Powelson has always been interested in a science-related career. She discovered one of the innumerable opportunities West Virginia Wesleyan's Biology Department can offer a student, which has provided a better insight into her future.

The senior biology major from Shinnston completed a field research project studying different populations of rare orchids found in the Canaan Valley and Greenbrier and Barbour counties. Powelson's project with Dr. Katherine Gregg, professor of biology, began in May of 2008 and was funded by a Summer/Semester Undergraduate Research Experience (SURE) grant from the West Virginia Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research (WV-EPSCoR).

"I immensely enjoyed researching orchids," said Powelson. "In the past I have been drawn to plants with medicinal value. Before this summer I had planned to apply for medical school, but this project opened my eyes to careers in science research and its impact on medicine."

Field research can be very beneficial to students, providing new opportunities and projects outside of the classroom. Powelson found that she preferred working one-on-one with Gregg than studying science in the classroom. "The hands-on experience allowed me to gain a better understanding of the subject matter. I could have learned the information in a classroom, but it was more enjoyable and exciting doing the research myself," she said.

Venturing

to discover new paths

Cara Clarke
Allison Park, PA
Psychology

Bradley Coleman
Lost Creek, WV
Athletic Training

Erica Comstock
Winchester, VA
Chemistry

Kendra Criss
Mineral Wells, WV
Nursing

Janna Crowley
Bridgeport, WV
Elementary Ed/MEd

Tabatha Davis
Buckhannon,WV
Criminal Justice

Kevoy Douglas
Clerendon, Jamaica
Athletic Training

Virginia Foard
Huntington, WV
English

Staci Forinash
Clarksburg, WV
Biology

Scott Getz
Revloc, PA
Music Education

Donovan Godwin
Buckhannon, WV
Marketing

Murry Harris IV
Miramar, FL
Elementary Education

Bethany Hedrick
Petersburg, WV
Business Admin.

Nicole Held
Murrysville, PA
English

Bethany Irvin
Buckhannon, WV
Int. Business / MBA

Jesika Keener
Jane Lew, WV
Management

Patrick Mahan
Medford, NJ
Business Admin.

Yi Lu
Wuhan, China
Business Administration

Amy McGrew
Bridgeport, WV
Elementary Education

Stephanie Meriwether
Lewisburg, WV
Biology

Akino Minowa
Tokyo, Japan
Communication Studies

Kathleen Moffat
Waldorf, MD
Music Education

Venturing
to discover new goals

Psychology Practicum Prepares Wing for Future

West Virginia Wesleyan senior Meagan Wing has a definitive career path in mind. Wing's goal is to become a child life specialist, which is a professional who works primarily in health care settings, focusing on the emotional and developmental needs of children and their families. Volunteering at the West Virginia University Children's Hospital for her senior practicum has taken her one step closer to achieving her goal.

During the fall semester, the psychology major from Dumont, NJ began planning her study and documenting the services she would provide at the hospital. This month, Wing has begun to implement her plan of study. "I am focusing on whether or not there is a relationship between pain levels and engagement in activity," stated Wing. "I hope to discover that children that become engaged in activities such as crafts or games will report less pain."

Volunteers and hospital employees take the time to create programming for children that include such activities as crafts, board games, reading, and movies, employing medical play to explain upcoming or current medical procedures. "Child life workers are there to make the hospital experience as normal as possible," remarked Wing. "Play time allows them to escape from the trauma and difficulties of their illnesses."

Wing has volunteered extensively during her four years at Wesleyan. Along with dedicating her time to the Children's Hospital, she tutored an local autistic child every week for two years. Wing is also active in Zeta Tau Alpha sorority and has been actively involved in a number of projects that benefit breast cancer research.

Sara Ogawa
Tokyo, Japan
Musical Theatre

Jill Okes
Parkersburg, WV
English

Jason Perez
Tampa, FL
Public Relations

Anthony Richardson
London, England
Religion

Erin Schatzle
Bushkill, PA
Accounting

Amanda Seebaugh
Parkersburg, WV
Exercise Science

Ralph Shaver
Eldersberg, MD
Accounting

Megan Sponaugle
Elkins, WV
Accounting

Kyla Vala
Gretna, NE
Management

Sarah Wilkinson
Beckley, WV
History / English

Rachel Woolwine
Williamstown, WV
Secondary Ed. / Chemistry

Lesley Wooten
Wilkinson, WV
Accounting

Venturing

to discover new abilities

Short Finds Pathway to Success

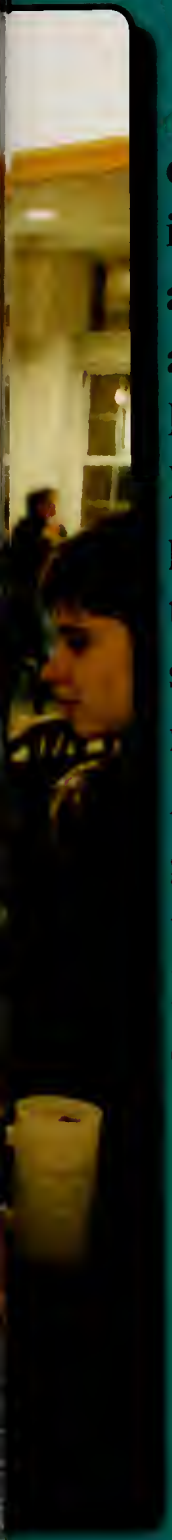
Elizabeth Short, a public relations major from Cowen, WV, began her career as the community involvement coordinator for the Mon Valley Initiative (MVI), a non-profit and economic coalition currently comprised of 11 Community Development Corporations in the summer of 2009. MVI's mission is to work together to unite the communities and restore the economic vitality of the Mon Valley in West Virginia. Short believes her vast range of co-curricular activities played a key role finding employment.

"I found this position on the internet and thought the job description was a great fit for the skills I developed at Wesleyan," Short stated. "In my cover letter, I was able to talk about coordinating freshman move-in day and organizing artists for the new Artists Co-Op Center in Buckhannon through my internship with the Upshur County Development Authority. When I interviewed for the position, they wanted to know if I had any experience in planning events. Fortunately, I had planed Wesleyan's Campus Birthday Celebration and provided assistance in organizing the annual Spring Sing. I had also completed courses on publication layout and design and web design. My class projects also provided an opportunity to demonstrate strategic planning and tactics we had used in Community Debate Watch and a class advertising and marketing project for Main Street Studios. The diverse range of activities and my understanding of the importance of research and evaluation helped me land this position."

Graduation

ORGANIZATIONS

The Campus Activities Board's Casino Night was a big hit this year! These stude
are enjoying a game of roulette.



Being involved in organizations on campus is not as simple as putting a name down on a paper and becoming a member. It is going beyond that. Membership is about putting in the extra hours to make an organization stand out, even if it just means standing outside Aladdin and getting the group's name out there for the campus to see. Involvement provides opportunities to venture beyond the classroom. Wesleyan offers over 100 organizations to encourage involvement in a variety of ways, representing students' hobbies and social and academic interests.

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"WVWC'S cycling team really gives our team a way to not only be involved with the college, but to support it as well. "

Andrew Dasilva, Senior

Benzene Ring

Front Row: Dr. Eva Wovchko, Casey Burroughs, Kimberly Larch, Matt Tallman, Kelydra Welcker
Back Row: Allison Richmond, Jerry Caligiure, Erica Comstock, Jeremy Hay

Black Student Union

Kaci Young, [illegible]nelle Stephenson, Ezi Alibo, Michael Guiliano, Dipna Collison, Myeshia Cooper, Lauren Goff

Catholic Campus Ministries

Stephanie Meriwether, Nicole Stark, Rebecca Culp, Colleen McTammany, Katie Moffat

Cycling Team

Front Row: Duncan Oliver, Tyler Hoos, Amanda-Lynn Warner
Back Row: Carrie Swayne, Travis Templin, Kimberly Larch

Freshman Council

Front Row: Michael Farrell, Jessica Sexton, Denny Golden, Mara Wright, Heather Cade, Garrett Heck, Becky Kjaerbye

Back Row: Jimmy Glenn, Lianne Whitehouse, Kady Ragers, Stephen Boone, Erin MacPherson, Wayne Billups, Becky Davis, Leemue Kaimene

Kappa Delta Phi

Katie Moffat, Renee Marko, Amy McGrew

Network Gaming League

Joshua Moore, Wesley Hughes, Zach Fleming, Garrett Douglas, Jimmy Gromen

Omicron Delta Kappa

Front Row: Kayla Burdette, Katie Moffat, Abbie Brake, Julie Powelson

Back Row: Hideomi Masuda, Rebecca Culp, Joshua Peters, Eric Hillyard, Jill Okes, Kimberly Larch

Pharos

Breana Crites, Amanda Adams, Sarah Wilkinson, Daniel Trader, Jeffrey Webb, Travis Hinkle

Religious Life Council

Front Row: Katie Moffat, Krysta Rexrode, Jeremy Hay
Back Row: Andrew Tennant, Jarrod Caltrider, Tony Richardson

Ski Club

Front Row: Nick McDaid, Charlie Fury, Chris Ferraro, Tyler Hoos, Wesley Hughes
Back Row: Bre Brannon, Kimberly Larch, Megan Allen, Lea Zancha, Laura Andrews, Brittany Droogh

Student Athletic Trainers Club

Shane Earley, Tatiana Chattoa, Jodi Webb, Chrissie Mason, Stephanie Browning, Jessica Booze, John Grove

Student Senate

Front Row: Jennifer Scott, Kimberly Larch, Casey Burroughs
Back Row: Tony Brown, Tom Knox, Robert Skinner, Andrew Baldasare, Eric Hillyard, Seth Kitzmiller

William Hallam Math Honorary

Audra Giguere, Pam Wovchko, Corey Duke, Kimberly Larch, Becky Myers

WVWC Change

Front Row: Isaac Casto, Rachel Stackpole, Jennifer Jones, Melissa Bucheimer
Back Row: Lauren Goff, Tony Brown, Cara Clarke, Valerie Hedrick, Kaitlin Murphy

WVWC Dance Team

Front Row Brianne McAtee, Stephanie Meriwether, Brianna Hickman
Back Row Amanda Lanham, Kathleen Burnard, Kristen Sayre,

Alpha Psi Omega

Front Row: Jenna Auwarter, Cassi Lemon, Sara Ogawa, Amanda Lanham, Brianna Hickman, Kathleen Burnard
Back Row: Kelsey Benjamin, Miranda Stokes, Rebecca Culp, Joshua Peters, Lance Russell, Greg Ramsey

Beta Beta Beta

Front Row: Katelyn Travis, Megan Monk, Brandon Shinaberry, Casey Burroughs, Ezi Alibo, Stephanie Meriwether, Julie Powelson, Casey Cameron
Back Row: Cody Nichols, Nicole Stark, Meghan Taylor, Amanda Wriston, Becca Bumgardner, Ryan Hoehner

Engaging Our World

Front Row: Cara Clarke, Lauren Goff, Jennifer Garcia, Kitty Correal, Ginger, Rachel Stackpole, Isaac Casto, Shannon Kaweck
Back Row: Brooke Rawson, Tony Brown, Jennifer Jones, Valerie Hedrick, Allison Shaw, Evey Hepinger

Engineering/Physics Club

Front Row: Dr. Wiest, Dr. Stevens, Dr. Feng, Dr. Popson
Middle Row: Christopher Ly, Wesley Hughes, Josh Mullenax, Phillip McElfresh, Devon Miller, Kyle Allard, Bobby Powell, Michael Murphy
Back Row: Rachel Haas, Heather Graffius, Kate Turner, Jackie Queen, Casey Burroughs, Jerry Caligiure, Wes Marsh

Felinez

Front Row: Stacy Schulman, Sara Ogawa, Ezi Alibo, Bethany Hedrick, Maddy Yamazaki
Back Row: Julie Preusch, Areum Kim, Kady Rogers, Brittany Lowe, Weiyang Shao

Green Club

Front Row: David Pyle, Lauren Goff, Jennifer Jones, Julie Powelson, Casey Cameron
Middle Row: Kazuhiro Yamada, Morgan O'Brien, Kayla Gunter, Cara Clarke, Valerie Hedrick, Tiffani Chaney, Kaitlyn Murphy, Melinda Ward
Back Row: Melissa Bucheimer, Casey Burroughs, Ezi Alibo, Nicole Stark, Billy Astrove, Stephanie Meriwether, Chris Ferraro

Gay Straight Alliance

Front Row: Rob Parker, Casey Burroughs, Isaac Casto, Valerie Hedrick, Leeanna Mayle, Kayla Gunter
Back Row: Lauren Goff, Tony Brown, Cara Clarke, Jennifer Jones, Jennifer Scott, Emily Zahn

Kappa Phi

Front Row: Saran Paterno, Jennifer Schwartzbeck, Lauren Goff, Jennifer Jones, Lindy Orduna
Middle Row: Jeong Han, Teresa Weaver, Leeanna Mayle, Heather Cade, Erin Hause, Christine Jeong
Back Row: Mary Hooper, Cara Clarke, Allison Richmond, Cietta McCoy, Danielle McGurk

Murmurmontis

Seth Kitzmiller, Tiera Floyd, Allysa Murphy, Jennifer Scott, Jerry Caligiure, Laura Bailey, Matthew Jablonski

2008 Organizational Fair

Front Row: Danielle McGurk, Cara Clarke, Megan Allen, Valerie Hedrick, Nicole Held, Kendra Criss, Cassie Lemon, Hannah Laulis, Allison Richmond

Back Row: Laura Andrews, Andrew Tennant, Nathaniel Smalley, Matthew Shook Lance Russell, Brendan Cavanaugh, Brittany Droogh, Kristin House, Seth Kitzmiller

First Row: Jordan Beckett, Lucy Swecker, Danielle Mullins, Becky Davis, Cassie Bodkin

Second Row: Jennifer Scott Sarah Wilkinson, Katheryn Marcum Allison Richmond Carolyn Bugg James Mochanoff, Dr Bill Mahoney

Third Row: Shane Earley, Morgan O'Brien, Amanda Adams, Hannah Laulis, Kady Rogers, Lianne Whitehouse

Fourth Row: Jerry Caligiure, Nathaniel Linger, Cody Cutright, Benjamin Bane, Mike Bush, Cy Mozinga

Fifth Row: Alexander Hoskinson Douglas Hornak, Michael King

Spotlight

CAB

The Campus Activities Board is an organization on campus that is devoted to providing students with activities and events on campus. By keeping the WVWC campus fun with weekend movie showings, performances from comedians and magicians and musical groups, and fun goodies like airbrushing and photo dry erase boards, CAB makes sure there's always something to do on the weekend.

Honors Program

Under the helm of advisors Dr. Devon McNamara and Dr. Bill Mahoney, the Honors Program is more than just an organization--it's an academic program. With cultural events ranging from visiting poets like New York state's poet laureate Jean Valentine to David Lynch film showings in Hyma Auditorium, and annual traditions such as the Honors picnic at the President's house, Thanksgiving dinner, and end of the year banquet, the Honors program is both fun and culturally enriching.

on organizations

ISO

The International Student Organization is one of West Virginia Wesleyan College's most active organizations. This year, the ISO had a wild success with their bi-annual ISO Banquet, featuring foods from nine different countries as well as cultural performances and a fashion show. With other events ranging from participation in Spring Sing to helping at the Children's Festival, ISO is a strong group that's here to stay.

Front Row: Taiyo Hayashi, Mamiko Miyazaki, Rio Yamamoto, Weiyang Shao, Sam Choi, Jennifer Scott
Middle Row: Jon Fatemi, Hideomi Masuda, Ezi Alibo, Sara Ogawa, Keiko Adachi, Bora Kim, Paul Kennedy, Tony Richardson
Back Row: Nick McDaid, Andrew Tennant, Valerie Hedrick, Tony Brown, Lauren Goff, Carolyn Bugg, Kitty Correal, Marie Iwamatsu, Rie Fukutomi.

SIFE

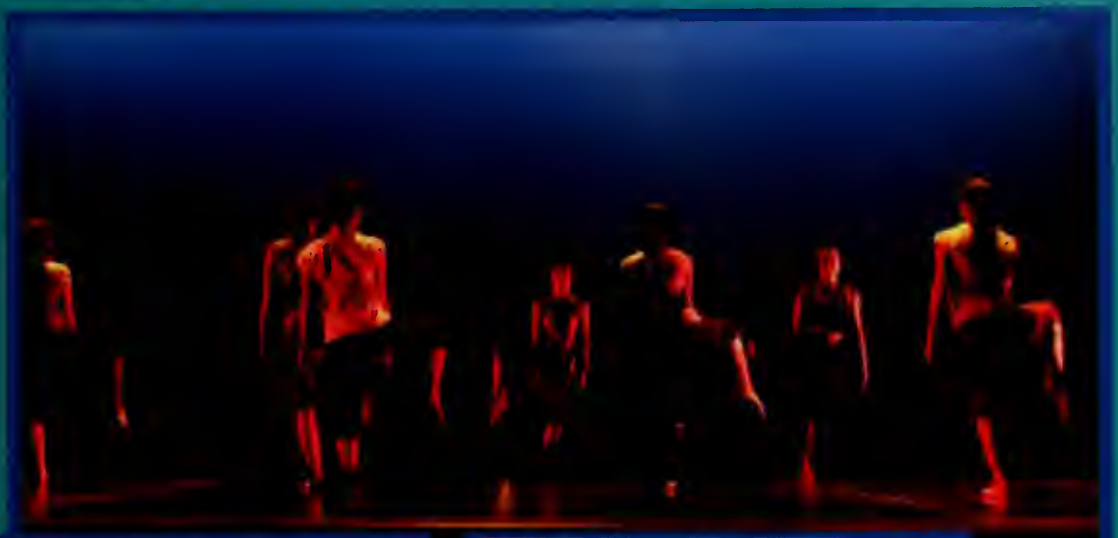
Students in Free Enterprise has been a very active group on the Wesleyan campus for many years, due in large part to a very strong business department. This year, SIFE hosted the very first Wesleyan Go Green Convention, pulling in sponsors and businesses from all over West Virginia and beyond to convene on the WVWC Campus and commiserate on green living and products for doing so. It was quite the success!

Front Row Adrienne Moretz, Emma Huffman, Amanda White, Samantha Phillips, Joshua Rider, Tracie Dodson
Middle Row: Brian George, Jordan Godwin, Samantha Kittle, Lesley Wooten, Megan Sponaugle, Paul Kennedy, Nick McDaid, Egon Hampl, Scott Bellamy
Back Row: Richard Kump, Brittany Droogh, Morganne Bunnell, Kayla Burdette, Caitlin Hott, Kristen Sayre, Megan Lewis

Organizations go beyond the classroom...

POWER
VOTE

...into campus and local community life.



GREEK LIFE

Chris Tichnell channels the Joker at one of the JUMP events in 2008.

Being involved in Greek Life is not just about making friends that last a lifetime and having a good time. Being involved in Greeks goes above and beyond. When students take part in Greek Life here at Wesleyan they are opening their lives to countless opportunities to be involved and make a name for themselves while making a name for their Greek organization as well. Much goes into being involved in Greek Life, especially if one holds an office; the hours involved in ensuring each organization is the best it can be are long and tiring, but in the end it is all worth it. Greeks participate in many areas at WVWC such as philanthropy, academics, Greek Week, and Spring Sing.

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"I am glad that I made the choice to go Greek. Being in a fraternity has allowed me to meet many people I would never have known and be a part of numerous things I would never have been given the chance to do. It has been an experience that has opened many doors for me and many more in the future." – Chris Tichnell, Theta Chi president

About Greeks

John Bohman

As coordinator of Greek Affairs, John Bohman meets twice a week with the Wesleyan fraternities and sororities. "I am there to guide, advise, and support the fraternities and sororities and monitor their progress," said Bohman. One of Bohman's pet peeves about his job is the out-of-date myths and stereotypes that continue to linger when the words "Greek Life" are mentioned. "Some people still think "Animal House" when they think of Greek Life, a concept that is not true today. The current Greek system is about building the leaders of tomorrow and community service. Our Greek students locally assist the Parrish House with clothing and food drives, provide tutorial services, clean-up of the river walk, and perform fundraising events for national organizations, such as the Ronald McDonald House, Breast Cancer Foundations, and the Muscular Dystrophy Association."

"We are trying hard to shed that old image, and with the great work of our Greek students, I think we are accomplishing that mission," said Bohman. "Statistics have shown that Greek members have higher retention and graduation rates rather than the general student population. Without a doubt, joining a Greek organization assists our students both in and out of the classroom," remarked Bohman.

Fraternities

Theta Chi Theta Chi Fraternity is one of the oldest and largest men's fraternities in North America currently. Theta Chi was started in 1856 at Norwich University and now extends over 215 chapters. Theta Chi Fraternity was created to serve a need for young men who have character, principles, and ideals to associate together.

Kappa Alpha Kappa Alpha Order was founded in 1825. KA currently has 131 chapters across the country and over 145,000 initiated members.

Alpha Sigma Phi Alpha Sigma Phi was founded at Yale University in 1845. The fraternity recognizes 138 chapters. Alpha Sigma Phi takes great pride in being known as a singing fraternity.

Chi Phi Chi Phi Fraternity was founded in 1824. Currently there are 60 chapters developed. Chi Phi was built to provide men with a place of belonging and membership. It was founded on the principles of truth, honor, and personal integrity.

Theta Xi Theta Xi was founded in 1864 in Troy, New York. The fraternity is one of the oldest social fraternities in North America.

Sororities

Alpha Delta Pi Alpha Delta Pi was the first sorority ever; it was the first secret society for females at a college. It was started by six women in 1851 at Wesleyan Female College in Macon, Georgia. Currently, there are 134 active chapters and over 215,000 members practicing the principles of scholarship, leadership, sisterhood, and service.

Alpha Xi Delta AXD was founded in 1893 at Lombard College in Illinois where ten women came together with a shared vision that was dedicated to the personal growth of women. The national fraternity now has around 144,000 initiated members. The vision shared by Alpha Xi Delta members is to inspire women to realize their potential.

Alpha Gamma Delta AGD was founded in 1904 at Syracuse University by 11 women who inspired to cherish friendships study the perfecting of those friendships. Since the founding, 181 chapters have been started the sorority has more than 145,000 members. The purpose of AGD has been to develop and prize health and vigor of body and to honor home, country, and religious faith.

Zeta Tau Alpha ZTA was founded by nine women at State Female Normal School in Farmville,VA in 1898. Today, the purpose of ZTA is to intensify friendship, to promote happiness among its members, to perform such deeds, and to mold such opinions that will build up a purer and nobler womenhood in the world.

Alpha Delta Pi

"We live for each other."

Since 1851.

Alpha Gamma Delta

"Inspire the women. Impact the world."

Since 1904.

Alpha Xi Delta

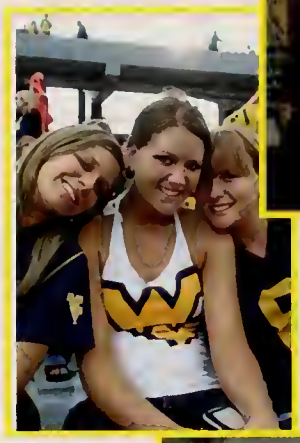
"The Pen is Mightier Than the Sword."

Since 1893.

Zeta Tau Alpha

"Seek the Noblest."

Since 1898.



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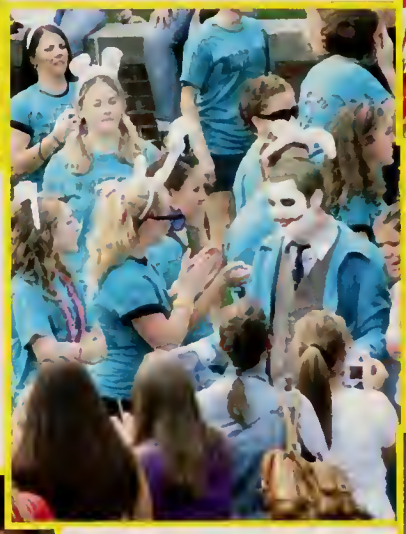
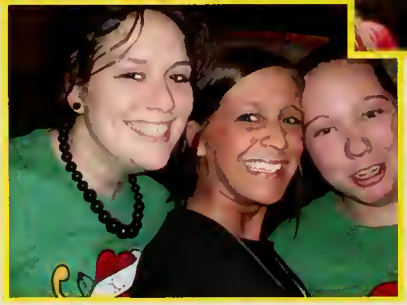
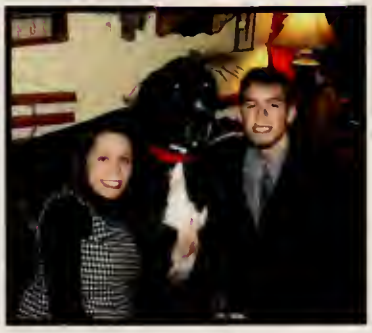




Alpha Sigma Phi

"The cause is hidden, the results well-known."

Since 1898.



Kappa Alpha

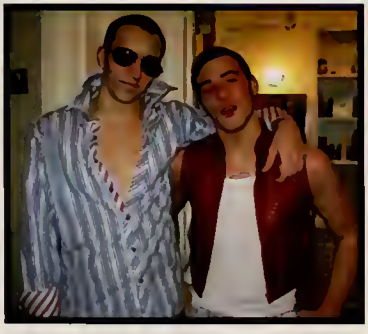
"Brothers Faithful Unto Death."

Since 1825.

THETA CHI

"An Assisting Hand"

Since 1856.



Chi Phi

"Truth, Honesty and Personal Integrity."

Since 1856.

THETA XI

"United They Serve"

Since 1864.

SPORTS

Lady Bobcat swimmers return to their positions for another start and lap.

A successful student athlete goes beyond merely playing a sport and attending class every day. Being a student athlete means countless hours of training and practice to become the best that one can be while still trying to excel in the classroom. When adding forty hours of practice to an already overwhelming academic schedule, student athletes must manage their time effectively and push harder. Wesleyan's athletic department has won 7 WVIAC championships, won the President's and Commissioner's Cups (awarded to the top WVIAC school for overall athletic excellence), launched a partnership with Nike Team, and initiated a new Academic Enhancement Plan.

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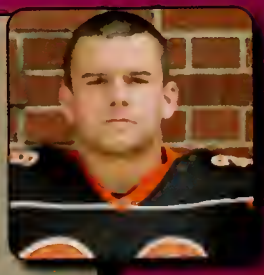
" Being a student athlete has been the best part of college. It has helped me to become a well-rounded person in the classroom...it has taught me to never give up on anything and to not be satisfied until those goals have been met."

Maria Braslawsky, Volleyball player

Football

J.P. Capote, Antoine Staten, Emmanuel Burrell, Chris Golder, Derrick Dempsey, Reggie Taylor, Nic Wilson, Adam Neugebauer, Zane Zebrasky, Aaron Echard, Mike Angulich, Joey Farris, Darryl Jackson, Valentino Williams, Jeremy Williams, Otis Scott, Matt Edwards, Adam Domico, Zach Elbon, Robert Staton, Ricky Williams, Jason Jackson, Felippe Teixeira, Donovan Godwin, Addarius James, Jon Ringo, David Kopolovich, Justin Raymond, Joe Stallings, Donovan Pearson, Shannon Breen, David Allen, Dan Voulvalai, Joe Satterfield, Julio Villatoro, Jordan Tyler, Eric Hampton, Josh Pirseik, Kyle McLain, Michael Pruden, John Robertson, Jon Meadows, Tremaine Tyler, Marcus Haynie, T.J. Benners, Dallas Burkhalter, Mike Price, Jose Boursiquot, Justin Carr, Jason Huffman, Keith Branch, Marequise Jasmin, Maurice Lazarre, Greg Varro, Beau Weed. Coaches: Chance Varner, Greg Duncan, Scott McConnell, Luke Struble, Bill Struble, Paul Price, Josh Westfall, Marc Kimes.



West Virginia Wesleyan's William Schiefelbein was the lone Bobcat representative on the 2008 All-Super Region 1 Team selected by Don Hansen's Football Gazette. Schiefelbein was selected to the Third Team Offense. Schiefelbein, a 6-3, 230-pound senior tight end from Moatsville, WV, was the Bobcats' leading receiver. He caught 21 passes for 490 yards and five touchdowns. His longest pass reception was 63 yards. He also returned two kick-offs for 16 yards.

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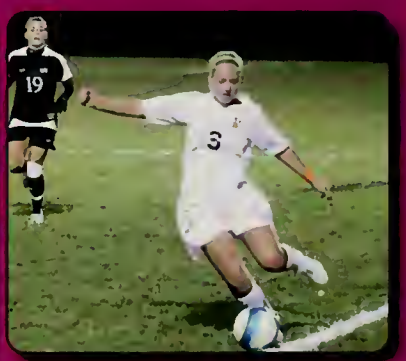
Men's Soccer

Ryan McDougall, Nicholas Benavides, Abe Levin-Nielsen, Kurt Donaldson, Drew Wolf, Michael Scruggs, Ignacio Vial, Joe Johns, Ben Waller, Diego Michelato, Jeremy Oats, Cameron Lemley, Garrett Douglass, Gen Nagatomo, Greg Wilmoth, Brandon Wilson, James Pietras, Cody Smith, Mune Kubota, Brett Lackenthal, Robert Breton, Patrick Haines, Brian Leister, Fred Horn , Coach Gavin Donaldson, Assistant Coaches Keith Moran, Mark Matyas, and Nick Rogers.

Former Wesleyan soccer standout Anthony Peters (pictured) is taking his game to the next level. Peters recently signed with Major League Soccer's (MLS) D.C. United. The MLS is the highest level of professional soccer in the United States. "This is a tremendous honor for Anthony and our program to be selected as part of the highest professional league in our country," Wesleyan head coach Gavin Donaldson said.

Women's Soccer

Madison Edwards, Lauren Hessian, Caroline Lalley, Meghan Zayas, Cassie Schneider, Katie Roberts, Jill Morrison, Lydia Mazzolini, Ashley Dragos, Ashley Rees, Zania Thomas, Hannah Macormic, Brittany Clark, Katelyn Shaw, Allison DiPietro, Mallory Smith, Melissa Hood, Erin MacPherson, Courtney Cole, Carlee Gault, Manna Torrey, Rachel Taylor, Danielle Gainer, Nicole Biondi, Jessie Hensley, Patty Contie, Kaitlin Bishop, Head Coach Glenn Francis, Assistant Coach Andrea Cooper



Senior Katie Schubert (pictured) claimed her second straight Player of the Year honor in 2008. Schubert led the conference with seven game-winning goals. The Montrose, WV forward has nine goals and an assist entering Wesleyan's NCAA Tournament contest with East Stroudsburg (PA).

Volleyball

Lauren Hametz, Lauren Roberts, Holly Speaks, Ashley Ziegle, Courtney Rose, Angela Covington, Missy Hicks, Jessica Pattyn, Hayley Barhorst, Alyssa Martin, Sarah Burton, Blake Sammell, Stephanie Bruggeman, Head Coach Andi Morgen

WVWC's Maria Broslawsky was one of three WVIAC volleyball standouts named to the Daktronics Second Team All-Region volleyball team. Broslawsky, a Buckhannon native, led the conference in hitting percentage and kills per set. She was the lone senior on Andi Morgan's squad that finished fourth in the WVIAC with an 11-4 conference record and advanced to the semi-finals of the WVIAC post-season tournament.

New Director Takes the Lead

After a seven-year stay at Shepherd University, Ken Tyler became WVWC's new director of athletics succeeding Dr. George Klebez '65, who retired last summer. Tyler served Shepherd as its head men's basketball coach and as the assistant director of athletics.

"Wesleyan has a long history of excellence," remarked Tyler," I am eager to help lead the program to greater success. I want our student athletes to be engaged in all aspects of campus life and I will encourage our coaches to recruit, retain, and graduate quality students. My goal every year is to not only compete for the WVIAC Commissioner's and Presidents' Cups but to compete on a national stage as well. We always want to dream big with the objective of establishing the Wesleyan athletic department as one of the best in all of Division II."

Since his arrival in July, the enthusiastic Tyler has given a facelift to the Wesleyan athletic program. The college has remodeled the entrance of the Rockefeller Cneter, repainted and redesigned the main gym floor, and launched a new athletic website.

A native of Jefferson County, WV, Tyler earned a bachelor of arts in history in 1987 and his master's degree in 1989 from the the College of William and Mary. He was a point guard on the basketball team at William and Mary.

Off the court, Tyler has been an active member with the local United Way, serving as the chairman of a $1.6 million fund-raising program. He is also an avid reader and Civil War enthusiast. He and his wife Dawn, who teaches in the education department, have two children, son Jordan and daughter Logan.

Men's Tennis

Perry Campbell, Rafael Cavalcante, Dennis Cole, Luis Cruz, Shane Farley, Danilo Francisco, Rob Hilton-Dewitt, Doug Hornak, Daisuke Hosumma, Daniel Lobo, Christopher Ly, Alvaro Ochoa, Jake Osburn, Derek Poling, Marc Rossner, Tsubasa Tomoto, Head Coach Lee Underwood and Assistant Coach Rashko Patnikov

The Wesleyan men's tennis team downed West Liberty 5-1 in the West Virginia Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (WVIAC) title match in April 2009 to complete their perfect run through the conference that season and win its second straight conference championship. Wesleyan owned a 2-1 advantage after doubles play. The top seeded team of Alvaro Ochoa (pictured) and Doug Hornak defeated Alex Fager and Jondir Junior, 8-3, and the No. 2 team of Rafael Cavalcante and Daniel Lobo bested Tim Sylvester and Tyler McCullough, 8-6.

Women's Tennis

Nicole Andreini, Amanda Chapman, Samantha Coral, Heather Graffius, Paige Hathaway, Akino Minowa, Caroline Pinheiro, Maisa Shigematsu, Liana Yamamoto, Head Coach Lee Underwood and Assistant Coach Rashko Patnikov

The Wesleyan women's tennis team kicked off its spring campaign in dominating fashion, defeating Division I Robert Morris 7-0. The Lady Bobcats entered the 2009 spring season with a record of 13-4. They finished second at the WVIAC tournament during the fall of 2008. On Sunday, Wesleyan failed to lose a set as they picked up right where they left off. Nicole Andreini (pictured) earned a 6-2, 6-1 victory over Kali Delorie in the number one singles spot and teamed up with Paige Hathaway to down Delorie-Libby Shaw 8-2 in the number one singles position.

Athletes in action

Men's Basketball

Steve Nichols, Jeff White, Grant Burton, Justin Caldwell, Caleb Ashley, Shintsuke Hatano, Bo Kesler, Ryan Hoehner, Joseph Leech, Aaron Lantz, Neven Zeravica, Lukas Coussoule, Phil Engelkemier, Connor McCauley, Adam Neugebauer, Roy Schneider, Zane Schneider, Head Coach Bill Lilly, and Assistant Coaches Andy Chelcher and Nick Petilla.

Neven Zeravica was the lone West Virginia Wesleyan Bobcat representative on the WVIAC Men's All-Conference Team in 2009. Zeravica was named to the All-WVIAC Honorable Mention Team. A sophomore transfer from Osijek, Croatia, he started all 27 games and averaged 13.1 points per game and 6.8 rebounds per contest from his center position. He also added 43 steals, 40 assists, and 40 blocks in leading the Bobcats to a 10-10 WVIAC record and a 10-17 overall record.

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Women's Basketball

Courtney Cole, Lydia Bridenbaugh, Ashlie Heimon, Alex Hertenstein, Carlee Gault, Caroline Talley, Jamie Kauffman, Morgan Hershey, Laken Coburn, Jess Sexton, Teresa Tokodi, Angela Tavano, Steph Tokodi, Head Coach Steve Tierney, Assistant Coach Shari Walker, Assistant Coach Sunny Vadopalante

If Sarah Van Horn (pictured) lacked the personal accomplishments to go down as one of the best women's basketball players in school and conference history, she does not anymore. With the release of the Division II Bulletin's All-America teams on April 7, Van Horn can now include the title "two time All-American" to her ever growing resume. Van Horn, who received honorable mention honors, was one of three West Virginia Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (WVIAC) players included on the Division II Bulletin All-America team.

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Baseball

Matt Coker, Kyle Allard, Jesse Simmons, Cory Flickinger, Derek Bowen, Matt Burgess, Tyler Kinson, Gene Franks, Eric McCamant, Cy Mozingo, Nathan Gainer, Tyler Phares, Will Blankenship, Billy Reams, Chris Blankenship, Warren Hammel, David Langley, Joe Buonainto, Emmanuel Burrell, Dustin Kolb, Adam Lewton, Brandon Crumpston, Mark Darlington, Zach Miller, Ross Ware, J. B. Dobbins, Kevin Holdsworth, Richard Hampton, Nicholas Basham, Corey Brown, Markus Dehng, Ryan Rexroad, Michael Athey, Bryan Tuten, Aaron Wiegel, Steven Burdette, James Russell, Aaron Gainer, Mike Gallagher, Jason Smith, Head Coach Randy Tenney, Assistant Coach Mike Honce, Assistant Coach Christian Rosado, Volunteer Coaches Eric Lassiter and Brett Ripley

WVWC pitcher Cy Mozingo was named to the 2009 Daktronics Baseball All-Atlantic Region Team. The sophomore pitched 60 innings and struck out 54 batters and held opponents to a .258 batting average. He was recently named to the All-WVIAC First Team. Last season as an All-WVIAC Second Teamer, he went 6-0 with an earned-run-average of 2.15. In his two years at Wesleyan, he has posted a 13-1 record.

Softball

Megan Rachford, Trisha Thurston, Shelby Carlson, Kailey Kubesch, Brittanie Gloyd, Emily Nieman, Megan Monk, Lexi Rodgers, Patricia Moreno, Carrie Reeves, Carly McCullough, Katie Speaks, Jeni Sites, Danielle Ritter, Stephanie Wheeler, Shannon Shafer, Heidi Beverage, Kristen Doyle, Jocelyn Jonas, Desiree Sibera, Stephanie St. Peter, Head Coach Steve Warner, Assistant Coaches Rayner Balciunas and Kendall Pittock

West Virginia Wesleyan softball stand-out Patricia Moreno was named to the 2009 Louisville Slugger/NFCA Division II All-Region Team. She was selected to the First Team. Moreno, a pitcher from Phoenix, AZ, posted a 26-9 record with an earned run average of 1.57. She threw 194.2 innings compiling 227 strikeouts while only walking only 57. She was named the WVIAC Pitcher of the Year and was recently named to the 2009 Daktronics All-Atlantic Region First Team.

Cross Country

Chris Burdick, Sean Cantrell, Justin Coughlin, Nathan Edwards, Barry Franklin, James Kavalauskas, Josh Mullenax, Calebe Withers, Head Coach Jesse Skiles

Jes Barkley, Lynn Brock, Emily Coffman, Loren Cortopassi, Dani Gray, Brenna Haverty, Katelyn Hunt, Amanda Jones, Megan Lewis, Kylie McGlew, Adrienne Moretz, Jessica Roberts, Sarah Rosier, Kelly Wambaugh, Heidi Web, Head Coach Jesse Skiles

Freshman Nate Edwards paced the men's team with a time of 33:47, good for 35th among individual finishers of the WVWC men's and women's track teams that traveled to Slippery Rock for the NCAA regional meet in November of 2008.

Track & Field

Bryan Brandt, Chris Burdick, Anthony Burnett II, Grant Burton, Chris Clarke, Brad Coleman, Joe Cooper, Ashley Crabtree, Kelsey Douglas, Nathan Edwards, Phillip Engelkemier, Barry Franklin, Josh Gray, Sean Hart, Daniel Holden, James Kawulinski, Jr., Steff Kendall, Ricky Kemp, Aaron Lantz, Chris Lemley, Caleb Mercer, Michael Meadow, Joe Meadows, Jayme Meeks, Jesse Mullen IV, Jesse Nutsos, Andy Nutsos, Mallory Pruett, Jeff Schmidgeberg, Zach Schroeder, John Shaw, Alex Snodgrass, Reagan Taylor, Trevor Tolpinski, John Valentine, Zach Wallingford, Caleb Wallace, Zane Zelinsky, Head Coach Jesse Stoller, Asst. Coach Bill Pfeifer, Asst. Coach David Cerilly, Asst. Coach Kenneth Mbawa, Asst. Coach Jill Crandall, Asst. Coach Steve Harrison

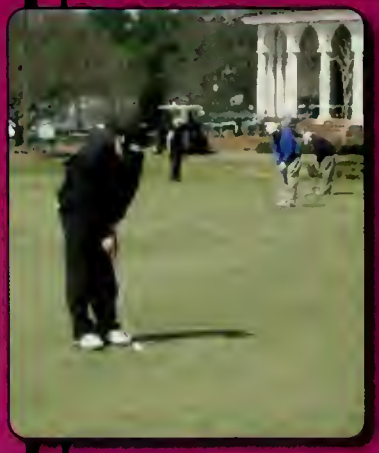
Allison Armstrong, Jess Barkley, Marguerite Bennett, Cassie Bodkin, Jessie Bloch, Cheri Bunter, Jerianne Chappell, Mckenzie Clark, Jordan Coffman, Emily Coffman, Loren Cortopassi, Ali Curry, Madison Edwards, Nikki Emborsky, Tara Forster, Elena Garton, Erin Guthall, Brenna Haverty, Jessie Hensley, Morgan Hershey, Jenna Howell, Kaitelyn Hunt, Valarie Jasper, Amanda Jones, Olivia Lambert, Amy Lewis, Emily Lewis, Megan Lewis, Daytona Maher, Kylie McGlew, Virginia Moritz, Micah Osborne, Mandy Pletcher, Jessica Roberts, Katie Schubert, Jessica Sexton, Kelsey Spang, Nicole Stark, Emily Stewart, Allison Teter, Kelly Wendlandt, Megan Werner, Heidi Webb, Sam Wharram, Kati Woolley, Janie Wooller, Madelin Zivas, Head Coach Jesse Skiles, Asst. Coach Jeff Perrett, Asst. Coach David Cerilly, Asst. Coach Kenneth Mbawa, Asst. Coach Jill Crandall, Asst. Coach Steve Harrison

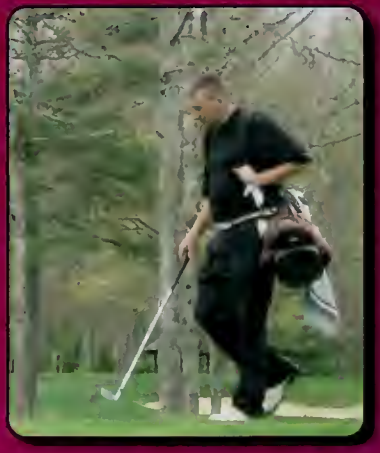
Golf

Josh Arbaugh, Michael Gervais, Mark Johnson, Maxwell Knapp, John Lodge, Joshua Melnik, Ryan Michael, Zachary Romito, Matt Sisson, Head Coach Steve Tierney, Assistant Coach Mary Theibert

Kathryn Alvaro, Kaitlin Bishop, Jessica Crowley, Victoria Gorby, Megan Lewis, Karen Namay, Joelle Potts, Stephanie Stacy, Callie Witkosky, Head Coach Steve Tierney, Assistant Coach Mary Theibert

Kathryn Alvaro was the top Wesleyan Lady Bobcat golfer in the Ohio Valley Invitational at the Marietta Country Club in April. Alvaro placed 12th shooting a 190 (101-89). Her finish helped the Lady Bobcats of head coach Steve Tierney to a fourth-place finish overall in the six-team event.



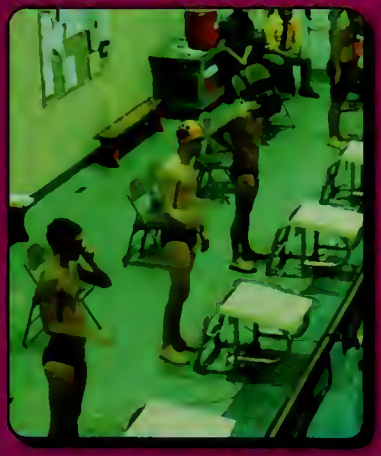


Swimming

Kary Jarue, Stephania Kalantzis, Alexis Orsenat, Maria Gutiérrez Munoz, Stephanie Goldbrea, Samantha Free, Natalie Howar, Ashley Kirkhart, Alex Lee, Amy Byrnes, Nicki Habibi, Hope Luna, Head Coach Mark Dziak, Assistant Coach Kyla Meuer, Student Coach Rob Doyle

Cody Nichols, Ian Pellerin, Travis McCan, Logan Davis, Will Squires, Jeff Dye, Head Coach Mark Dziak, Assistant Coach Kyla Meuer, Student Coach Rob Doyle

Brian Wiles, a senior from Haymarket, VA, was one of three Wesleyan seniors honored in their final home swim meet on Saturday against Marymount. Wiles earned victories in the 1,000 yard freestyle and the 200 yard medley relay this weekend while finishing second in the 500 yard freestyle.



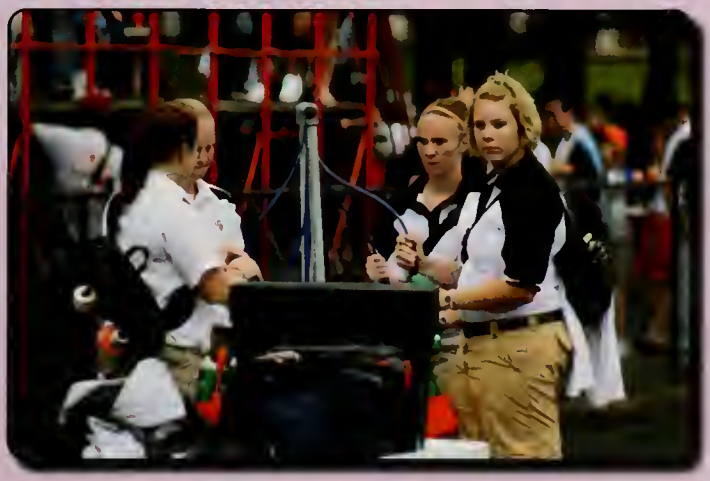
Cheerleading

Cassie Bodkin, Samie Lee-Ann Kovar, Annie Tingle, Ciera Miller, Katlyn Pierey, Kaci Young, Rebecca Fullerton, Bre LeMasters, Mallory Goldman, Emily Cunningham

Athletic Training

West Virginia Wesleyan athletic training students earned top honors at the recent West Virginia Athletic Trainer's Association (WVATA) meeting in Charleston. Students from Alderson Broaddus, Marshall University, University of Charleston, West Virginia University, and Wesleyan competed in the event.

Brad Coleman (left) of Lost Creek, Chrissie Mason of Shenandoah Junction, and Jodi Webb of Williamstown, and Hideomi Masuda of Kumamoto, Japan, captured the 2009 Student Quiz Bowl Championship. They advanced to the District III competition in May at Virginia Beach, VA during the Mid-Atlantic Athletic Trainer's Association meeting and competed against teams from the District of Columbia, Maryland, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Virginia. This was the third year for the Quiz Bowl competition and the first time a West Virginia team advanced to regional competition.



Student athletic trainers at work.

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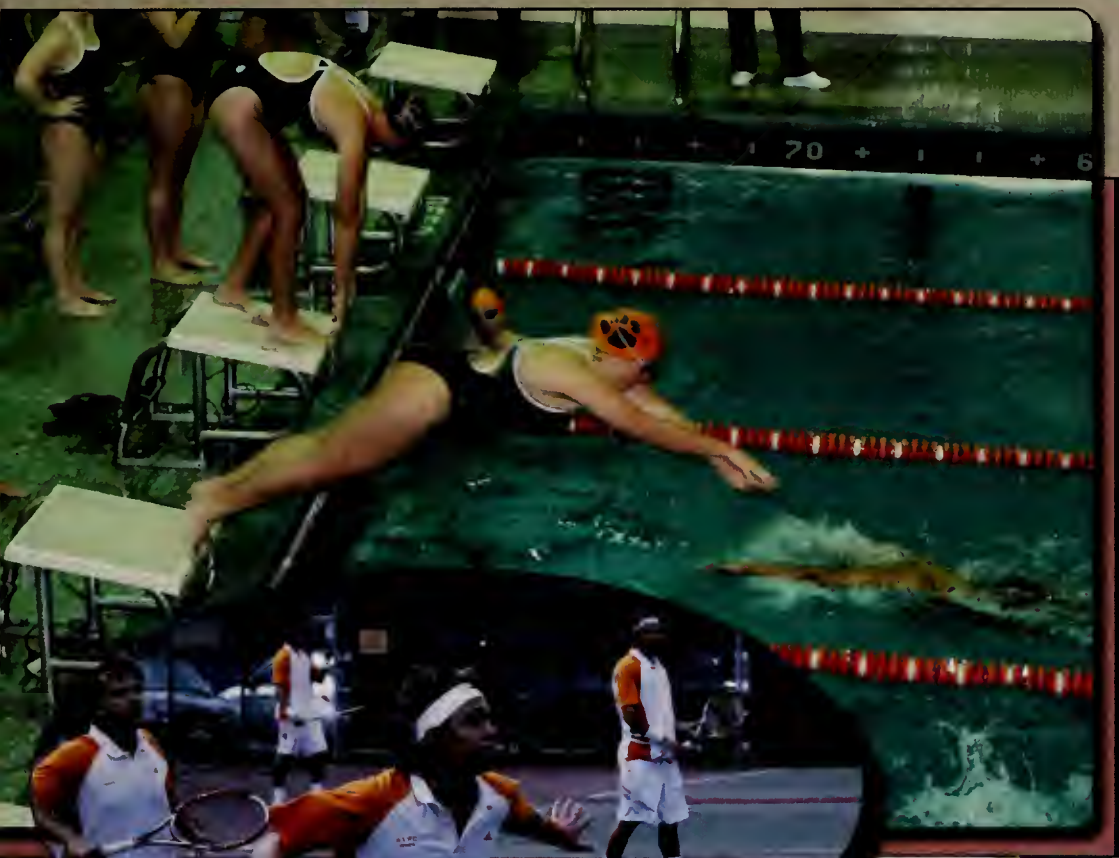

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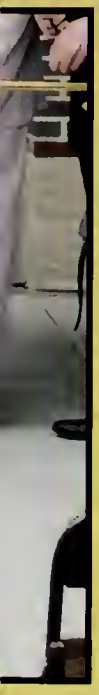
President Balch, along with honored guests, prepares to cut the ribbon for the grand opening of the Virginia Thomas Law Center for the Performing Arts.



As the sun set on another eventful year at West Virginia Wesleyan College, students and faculty took pride in their hard work and in their unique position in the history of the college and the world at large. Students continued to develop the courage and tenacity to venture beyond, be it into summer work or internships, into a challenging next semester, into a competitive job market, or into what the books called "real life".

Venturing beyond is more than an annual theme—it is a frame of mind to place yourself in as you encounter any hardship or obstacle. Venturing beyond is a matter of summoning the will to deal with these hardships as they exist and to push forward, never backwards, into a harmonious solution. The Wesleyan community came a long way in one school year, and by bearing in mind this simple philosophy, students and staff can work together to make next year just as exciting and productive as this year.

To the esteemed Class of 2009, go forth in stride, and venture beyond into jobs, internships, and into life. To those who remain another year or two or three, you will return next year to venture beyond your academic expectations, beyond the limits of the classroom, beyond the community itself, and beyond any obstacle that may stand in your way.

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